COMBINED DECLARATION/POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR PATENT APPLICATION

As a below named inventor, we hereby declare that:

Our residences, post office addresses and citizenship are as stated below next to our names.

| an original, first claimed and for | and joint inventor (if pwhich a patent is sough | h, first and sole inventor (if only of plural names are listed below) of the invention entitled | the subject matte | er which is |
|-------------------------------------|---|--|---------------------------------|----------------|
| , the sp | pecification of which | · | | |
| (check one) | is attached her | reto. | | · |
| - | X was filed on _ Application Se | September 28, 1998 erial No. | _as | |
| We here specification, inc | by state that we have cluding the claims, as a | reviewed and understand the commended by any amendment refer | ntents of the abored to above. | ove identified |
| We ackr this application i | nowledge the duty to n accordance with Tit | disclose information which is m le 37, Code of Federal Regulatio | aterial to the exns, § 1.56(a). | amination of |
| foreign application any foreign app | on(s) for patent or inv | rity benefits under Title 35, United ventor's certificate listed below are inventor's certificate having a f d: | nd have also ide | ntified below |
| Prior Foreign Ap | oplication(s) | | Priorit | y Claimed |
| 09-265620 (Number) | Japan (Country) | 30/Sep./1997 (Day/Month/Year Filed) | _X_ Yes | No |
| (Number) | (Country) | (Day/Month/Year Filed) | Yes | No |
| (Number) | (Country) | (Day/Month/Year Filed) | Yes | No |

We hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, § 120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, § 112, we acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56(a) which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

| (Appln. Serial No.) | (Filing Date) | (Status-patented, pending, abandoned) |
|---------------------|---------------|---------------------------------------|
| (Appln. Serial No.) | (Filing Date) | (Status-patented, pending, abandoned) |

We hereby appoint as my attorneys, with full power of substitution and revocation, to prosecute the patent application identified above and to transact all business in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith: Raphael V. Lupo (Reg. No. 28,363); Jack Q. Lever, Jr. (Reg. No. 28,149); Kenneth L. Cage (Reg. No. 26,151); Stanislaus Aksman (Reg. No. 28,562); Paul Devinsky (Reg. No. 28,553); Edward E. Kubasiewicz (Reg. No. 30,020), Michael E. Fogarty (Reg. No. 36,139); Brian E. Ferguson (Reg. No. 36,801); Robert W. Zelnick (Reg. No. 36,976); and Wilhlem F. Gadiano (Reg. No. 37,136).

Please address all correspondence and telephone calls to:

Kenneth L. Cage, Esquire McDERMOTT, WILL & EMERY 600 13th STREET, N.W. WASHINGTON, D.C. 20005-3096 (202) 756-8087



The undersigned hereby authorizes the U.S. attorneys named herein to accept and follow instructions from _______ as to any action to be taken in the Patent and Trademark Office regarding this application without direct communication between the U.S. attorney and the undersigned. In the event of a change in the persons from whom instructions may be taken, the U.S. attorneys named herein will be so notified by the undersigned.

We hereby declare that all statements made herein of our own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

| Full name of sole or fin | rst inventor <u>Eiichi YOSHIDA</u> | |
|--------------------------|---|--|
| | Sichi Yoshida awa-Shi, Aichi-Ken, Japan c/o MINOLTA CO., LTD., Osak Azuchi-Machi, Chuo-Ku, Osaka- | Citizenship Japan a Kokusai Bldg., 3-13, 2-Chome, |
| | | |
| Full name of sole or se | econd inventor <u>Akio NAKAJIM</u> | Α |
| _ | Offic Muhayima awa-Shi, Aichi-Ken, Japan c/o MINOLTA CO., LTD., Osak Azuchi-Machi, Chuo-Ku, Osaka- | Date <u>Oct 16, 1998</u> Citizenship <u>Japan</u> a Kokusai Bldg., 3-13, 2-Chome. Shi, Osaka, 541-8556 Japan |

^{*} City and State, or City and Country for foreign inventors

And the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks is hereby authorized and requested to issue Letters Patent to the said Assignee in accordance with the terms of this Assignment.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, the said Assignors have hereunto set their hands and affixed their seals.

| Date: | Oct. 16, 1998 | Eiichi Yechiola Eiichi YOSHIDA | (Seal |
|-------|---------------|-----------------------------------|--------|
| Date: | Oct: 16, 1998 | Akio NAKAJIMA | (Seal) |

FORM PTO-1595

RECORDATION FORM COVER SHEET

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Patent and Trademark Office

| Attorney Docket No.: 44084-326 | | |
|--|--|--|
| To the Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks: | Please record the attached original documents or copy thereof. | |
| Name of conveying party(ies): Eiichi YOSHIDA and Akio NAKAJIMA | Name and address of receiving party(s): | |
| Additional name(s) of conveying party(ies) attached? No | Minolta Co., Ltd. Osaka Kokusai Building, 3-13, 2-chome, Azuchi-machi, Chuo-ku, Osaka-shi, Osaka JAPAN | |
| | Additional name(s) & address(es) attached? Yes X No | |
| 3. Nature of conveyance: | | |
| Assignment Merger Security Agreement Change of Name Other | | |
| Execution Date: October 16, 1998 | | |
| Application number(s) or patent number(s): | | |
| If this document is being filed together with a new application, the exec | ution date of the application is: | |
| A. Patent Application No.(s) 09/161,277 B. Patent No.(s) | | |
| Additional num | pers attached? No | |
| Name and address of party to whom correspondence concerning document should be mailed: | Total number of applications and patents involved: 1 | |
| Edward E. Kubasiewicz, Esq. | | |
| McDormott Will & Emony | 7 Total fee (37 CED 3 41) \$40 00 | |

600 13th Street, N.W. Washington, DC 20005

Enclosed

X Authorized to be charged to deposit Account

8. Deposit Account No: 13-0203

(Attached duplicate copy of this page if paying by deposit account)

DO NOT USE THIS SPACE

9. Statement and signature.

To the best of my knowledge and belief, the foregoing information is true and correct and any attached copy is a true copy of the original document.

Edward E. Kubasiewicz, No. 30,020

Name of Person Signing

Signature/Date: 12 November 1998

Total number of pages including cover sheet, attachments, and document: 3

Attorney Docket No.: 44084-326

ASSIGNMENT

| WHEREAS, | Eiichi YOSHIDA and Akio NAKAJIMA | |
|-------------------------|---|--------|
| | , hereinafter called the "Assignors," have jointly invented a new and | 1 |
| useful invention entitl | ed IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS AND TERMINAL DEVICE | |
| CONNECTED TO N | ETWORK , fo | - T |
| which they have: | | |
| (a) | filed an application for United States Letters Patent on September 28, 1998 as (Serial No); or | |
| (b) | executed an application for United States Letters Patent on; and | |

WHEREAS, MINOLTA CO., LTD., a corporation organized and existing under the laws of Japan, having a place of business at Osaka Kokusai Bldg., 3-13, 2-Chome, Azuchi-Machi, Chuo-Ku, Osaka-Shi, Osaka, Japan, hereinafter called the "Assignee," is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention, the application above identified, and in, to and under any Letters Patent which may be obtained to said invention, as hereinafter more fully set forth;

NOW, THEREFORE, TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN, be it known that for and in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00), and other valuable and legally sufficient considerations, the receipt of which by said Assignors from the said Assignee is hereby acknowledged, the said Assignors have sold, assigned and transferred, and by these presents do sell, assign and transfer unto the said Assignee, the entire, right, title and interest for the United States in and to the invention and application hereinabove identified, and any Letters Patent of the United States that may issue for said invention, together with the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention and applications for Letters Patent and Letters Patent therefor, in all countries foreign to the United States, including the full right to claim for any such application all benefits and priority rights under any applicable convention; to have and to hold for the sole and exclusive use and benefit of the said Assignee, its successors and assigns, to the full end of the term or terms for which any and all of said Letters Patent for said inventions may issue.

And the said Assignors do hereby covenant and agree, for themselves and their legal representatives, that they will assist their said Assignee in the prosecution of the application herein identified; in the making and prosecution of any other applications for Letters Patent that the said Assignee may elect to make covering the invention herein identified, as hereinabove set forth; in vesting in the said Assignee like exclusive title in and to all such other applications and Letters Patent; and in the prosecution of any interference which may arise involving said invention, or any application or Letters Patent herein contemplated; and that they will execute and deliver to the said Assignee any and all additional papers which may be requested by the said Assignee to fully carry out the terms of this Assignment.

MARCH 09, 1999

MCDERMOTT, WILL & EMERY EDWARD E. KUBASIEWICZ, ESQ. 600 13TH STREET, N.W. WASHINGTON, DC 20005



UNITED 5. ATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE Patent and Trademark Office
ASSISTANT SECRETARY AND COMMISSIONER

ASSISTANT SECRETARY AND COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS Washington, D.C. 20231

MAR 1 7 1999

McDermott, Will & Linery

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE NOTICE OF RECORDATION OF ASSIGNMENT DOCUMENT

THE ENCLOSED DOCUMENT HAS BEEN RECORDED BY THE ASSIGNMENT DIVISION OF THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE. A COMPLETE MICROFILM COPY IS AVAILABLE AT THE ASSIGNMENT SEARCH ROOM ON THE REEL AND FRAME NUMBER REFERENCED BELOW.

PLEASE REVIEW ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED ON THIS NOTICE. THE INFORMATION CONTAINED ON THIS RECORDATION NOTICE REFLECTS THE DATA PRESENT IN THE PATENT AND TRADEMARK ASSIGNMENT SYSTEM. IF YOU SHOULD FIND ANY ERRORS OR HAVE QUESTIONS CONCERNING THIS NOTICE, YOU MAY CONTACT THE EMPLOYEE WHOSE NAME APPEARS ON THIS NOTICE AT 703-308-9723. PLEASE SEND REQUEST FOR CORRECTION TO: U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE, ASSIGNMENT DIVISION, BOX ASSIGNMENTS, CG-4, 1213 JEFFERSON DAVIS HWY, SUITE 320, WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231.

RECORDATION DATE: 11/12/1998

REEL/FRAME: 9591/0093 NUMBER OF PAGES: 3

BRIEF: ASSIGNMENT OF ASSIGNOR'S INTEREST (SEE DOCUMENT FOR DETAILS).

ASSIGNOR:

YOSHIDA, EIICHI

DOC DATE: 10/16/1998

ASSIGNOR:

NAKAJIMA, AKIO

DOC DATE: 10/16/1998

ASSIGNEE:

MINOLTA CO, LTD.

OSAKA KOKUSAI BUILDING, 3-13, 2-

CHOME

AZUCHI-MACHI, CHUO-KU, OSAKA-SHI

OSAKA, JAPAN

SERIAL NUMBER: 09161277

PATENT NUMBER:

FILING DATE: 09/28/1998

ISSUE DATE:

.0-1595



100908940

ER SHEET

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF

∕rtorney Docket No.: 44084-326

To the Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks: Please record the attached original documents or copy thereof.

1. Name of conveying party(ies): Eiichi YOSHIDA and Akio NAKAJIMA

Additional name(s) of conveying party(ies) attached? No

3. Nature of conveyance:

Merger Security Agreement Change of Name Other

2. Name and address of receiving party(s): Minolta Co., Ltd. Osaka Kokusai Building, 3-13, 2-chome. Azuchi-machi, Chuo-ku, Osaka-shi, Osaka JAPAN Additional name(s) & address(es) attached? Yes X No

Execution Date: October 16, 1998

4. Application number(s) or patent number(s):

If this document is being filed together with a new application, the execution date of the application is:

- A. Patent Application No.(s) 09/161,277
- B. Patent No.(s)

Additional numbers attached? No

Name and address of party to whom correspondence concerning document should be mailed:

Edward E. Kubasiewicz, Esq. McDermott, Will & Emery 600 13th Street, N.W. Washington, DC 20005

- Total number of applications and patents involved: 1
- 7. Total fee (37 CFR 3.41)......\$40.00 Enclosed
 - Authorized to be charged to deposit Account
- 8. Deposit Account No: 13-0203

(Attached duplicate copy of this page if paying by deposit account)

DO NOT USE THIS SPACE

9. Statement and signature.

To the best of my knowledge and belief, the foregoing information is true and correct and any attached copy is a true copy of the original document.

Edward E. Kubasiewicz, No. 30,020

Name of Person Signing

Signature/Date: 12 November 1998

Total number of pages including cover sheet, attachments, and document: 3

Mail documents to be recorded with required cover sheet information to: Commissioner of Patents & Trademarks, Box Assignments Washington, D.C. 20231

../17/1996 STHONATO 00000017 130203 09161277

V2 FC:50.

40200 CH

Attorney Docket No.:

ASSIGNMENT

| WHEREAS | Eiichi YOSHIDA and Akio NAKAJIMA | |
|----------------------|---|----------|
| useful invention ent | , hereinafter called the "Assignors," have jointly invented itled _IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS AND TERMINAL NETWORK | DECVIS |
| which they have: | | |
| (a) | filed an application for United States Letters Patent on September 28, 1998 as (Serial No. |); or |
| (b) | executed an application for United States Letters Patent on; and | S |

WHEREAS, MINOLTA CO., LTD., a corporation organized and existing under the laws of Japan, having a place of business at Osaka Kokusai Bldg., 3-13, 2-Chome, Azuchi-Machi, Chuo-Ku, Osaka-Shi, Osaka, Japan, hereinafter called the "Assignee," is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention, the application above identified, and in, to and under any Letters Patent which may be obtained to said invention, as hereinafter more fully set forth;

NOW, THEREFORE, TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN, be it known that for and in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00), and other valuable and legally sufficient considerations, the receipt of which by said Assignors from the said Assignee is hereby acknowledged, the said Assignors have sold, assigned and transferred, and by these presents do sell, assign and transfer unto the said Assignee, the entire, right, title and interest for the United States in and to the invention and application hereinabove identified, and any Letters Patent of the United States that may issue for said invention, together with the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention and applications for Letters Patent and Letters Patent therefor, in all countries foreign to the United States, including the full right to claim for any such application all benefits and priority rights under any applicable convention; to have and to hold for the sole and exclusive use and benefit of the said Assignee, its successors and assigns, to the full end of the term or terms for which any and all of said Letters Patent for said inventions may issue.

And the said Assignors do hereby covenant and agree, for themselves and their legal representatives, that they will assist their said Assignee in the prosecution of the application herein identified; in the making and prosecution of any other applications for Letters Patent that the said Assignee may elect to make covering the invention herein identified, as hereinabove set forth; in vesting in the said Assignee like exclusive title in and to all such other applications and Letters Patent; and in the prosecution of any interference which may arise involving said invention, or any application or Letters Patent herein contemplated; and that they will execute and deliver to the said Assignee any and all additional papers which may be requested by the said Assignee to fully carry out the terms of this Assignment.

And the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks is hereby authorized and requested to issue Letters Patent to the said Assignee in accordance with the terms of this Assignment.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, the said Assignors have hereunto set their hands and affixed their seals.

| Date: | Oct. 16, 1998 | <u>Eiichi Yoshida</u> Eiichi YOSHIDA | (Sea |
|-------|---------------|---|-------|
| | | · | . ÷ . |
| Date: | Oct. 16, 1998 | <u>Akio Mahajima</u> Akio NAKAJIMA | (Seal |